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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title of the invention with:

- 5 Scanner with an output port connected to a printer or a storage storage device

- 10 Please replace the first paragraph of the Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiment with:

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Please refer to Fig.1 and Fig.2. Fig.1 is a schematic diagram of the present invention scanner 10. Fig.2 is a functional block diagram of the scanner 10 shown in Fig.1.

15 The scanner 10 includes a casing 12, a scanning module 14 installed inside the casing for scanning a document 13 and generating corresponding image data 30, a control unit 16 installed in the casing for controlling the operations of the scanner 10, an output port 18 electrically connected to the

20 control unit 16 for connecting to an external printer 20 or to a portable storage device 21, and a connecting port 22 installed on the casing and electrically connected to the control unit 16 for optionally connecting the scanner 10 to

25 a computer 24. The portable storage device 21 could be a hard drive, a floppy drive, a writable optical drive, etc. In the embodiment depicted, only the printer 20 shown in Fig.1 is connected to the scanner 10, and only the portable storage device 21 in Fig.2 is connected. When the scanning module 14 finishes scanning the document 13, the control unit 16

30 transmits the image data 30 of the document 13 to the storage device 21 or to the printer 20, depending on the type of device that is connected to the output port 18.